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DOH-LEE HOSTS COMMUNITY CONVERSATION
High impact HIV/AIDS prevention program

Lee County, FL— Residents from Cape Coral, Fort Myers and the surrounding communities are invited to talk with leaders of the Florida Department of Health in Lee County and state HIV/AIDS program at the High Impact Prevention Town Hall meeting to prevent the spread of HIV/AIDS from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, August 5, 2015 at the Dr. Carrie Robinson Community Center, 2990 Edison Ave., Fort Myers.

“By going into the neighborhoods where people are at high risk for contracting HIV/AIDS, we hope to teach the value of prevention as well as avoidance,” said Valentino Clarke, regional HIV/AIDS coordinator for DOH-Lee. “This community conversation will allow residents to ask questions in a friendly comfortable setting.”

Participants will learn about how agencies have adapted to the High Impact Prevention program, what its strengths and weaknesses are, how HIP can be enhanced and the development of new projects and improved mechanisms to reduce new HIV infections.

Health care providers and all interested members of the community are urged to provide feedback on how best to reach at risk populations for HIV who do not know their status in Lee County. People who are not able to attend can call into the conversation from their phones. To reserve a seat or get more information contact Sindia DeLaCruz at (239) 461-6113 no later than July 31.

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